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SUBJECT: 31ST UNGA SECOND COMMITTEE: DRAFT RESOLUTION
(UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FOUNDATION"
(AGENDA ITEM 60(C))

REF: A) STATE 283138; B) USUN 5948

1. ON DECEMBER 7, AFTER CONSIDERABLE CONFUSION, BRINKMANSHIP AND NEGOTIATION, THE SECOND COMMITTEE DECIDED NOT TO ADOPT THE PHILIPPINE RESOLUTION ON THIS SUBJECT BUT RATHER AGREED BY CONSENSUS TO RECOMMEND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVE A DECISION, THE APPROXIMATE LANGUAGE AND SUBSTANCE OF WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

"THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECIDES TO TRANSMIT, FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL AT ITS 63RD SESSION, TOGETHER WITH THE RELEVANT PARTS OF THE REPORT OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE UNDER AGENDA ITEM 60, THE RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY THE PHILIPPINES AS CONTAINED IN DOCUMENT A/C.2/31/L.19/REV.1 THE TEXT OF WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:
"TEXT OF A/C.2/31/L.19/REV.1"

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 3327 (XXIX) OF 16 DECEMBER 1974
AND ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1914 (LVII)
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OF 10 DECEMBER 1974,

RECALLING FURTHER THE OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FOUNDATION AS SET OUT IN THE ANNEX TO RESOLUTION 3327 (XXIX), PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO ITS INNOVATIVE CHARACTER, AS WELL AS ITS CAPACITY TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND CONTRIBUTE SERVICES, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND THE MANAGEMENT OF THE HUMAN HABITAT,

CONSCIOUS OF THE NEED TO MAINTAIN THE INTEGRITY, FLEXIBILITY AND FUNCTIONAL CAPACITY OF THE FOUNDATION,

DESIROUS OF PROMOTING GREATER CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE FOUNDATION AND THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND APPROPRIATE FINANCIAL OR OTHER INSTITUTIONS IN IMPLEMENTING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE FOUNDATION,

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF DISSEMINATING INFORMATION AND MOBILIZING PUBLIC OPINION AMONG PEOPLES AND MEMBER STATES IN SUPPORT OF THE OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES OF THE FOUNDATION, AS CALLED FOR IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3434 (XXX) OF 9 DECEMBER 1975,

NOTING THE PRIORITY ACCORDED TO NATIONAL ACTION AND REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, AS A RESULT OF HABITAT: UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, HELD AT VANCOUVER FROM 31 MAY TO 11 JUNE 1976,

1. AFFIRMS THE SIGNIFICANT ROLE OF THE FOUNDATION IN PROMOTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OBJECTIVES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF HABITAT: UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

2. INVITES THE FOUNDATION TO PROMOTE REGIONAL CO-OPERATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

3. INVITES FURTHER NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, FINANCIAL AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS, AS APPROPRIATE, TO COLLABORATE WITH THE FOUNDATION, TO FACILITATE THE EFFECTIVE EXPANSION OF ITS SERVICES, INFORMATION ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES
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FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

4. URGES GOVERNMENTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, TO SUPPORT THE FOUNDATION ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS, TO ENABLE IT TO BECOME A MORE EFFECTIVE INSTRUMENT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OBJECTIVES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF HABITAT: UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

5. AFFIRMS THAT THE FOUNDATION SHOULD BE APPROPRIATELY STRENGTHENED SO THAT IT MAY ACHIEVE THE FULL POTENTIAL ENVISAGED FOR IT BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

2. THE AFORESAID DECISION, IN ESSENCE, TRANSMITS ALL THE DRAFT RESOLUTIONS AND POSITION STATEMENTS PRESENTED AT THE 31ST UNGA ON THE FOLLOW-UP TO HABITAT.

3. ON THE PROPOSAL OF THE CHAIRMAN, THE COMMITTEE ALSO DECIDED TO TAKE NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL ON CRITERIA GOVERNING MULTI-LATERAL FINANCING OF HOUSING AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AS CONTAINED IN A/10225 AND E/5852.
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